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In re application of:

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Yasurou MATSUZAKI, et al.

Art Unit: 2818

Serial No.: 10/766,890

Examiner: L. Tran

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Docket No.: 100353-00181

For: SEMICONDUCTOR APPARATUS HAVING A LARGE-SIZE BUS
CONNECTION

RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 14, 2004

Sir:

The Election Requirement mailed August 19, 2004 has been received and carefully noted. The following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect **Species I** (Figure 16), with **associated claims 18-21 and 30, without traverse**, for prosecution in the above-captioned patent application.

Applicants reserve the right to claim additional species in the event that a generic claim thereto is found to be allowable in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.141(a). Consideration and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected claims at any point prior to the termination of the proceedings in the subject application.

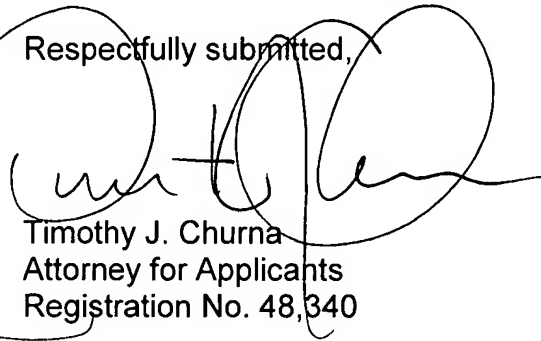
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In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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